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UPPER COOK INLET COMMERCIAL FISHING ANNOUNCEMENT No. 17 EMERGENCY ORDER NUMBER 2S-17-12

Upper Cook Inlet Commercial Fishing Announcement No. 17 opens drift gillnetting in the Expanded Kenai and Expanded Kasilof Sections of the Upper Subdistrict on Friday, July 20, 2012 from 9:00 a.m. until 9:00 p.m.

The escapement rate of sockeye salmon into the Kenai and Kasilof Rivers is proceeding at a rate greater than that needed to assure optimum escapement levels. In order to reduce the rate of escapement, additional fishing time in the area described above is warranted.